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TO: Individual Physician (64) Provider Letter A-#367
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RE: Teleradiology

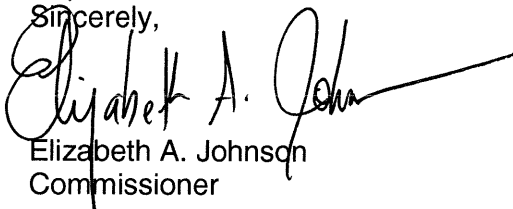
Dear Kentucky Medicaid Provider:

This notification is to inform you of upcoming changes to teleradiology reimbursement. Effective January 1, 2009, services performed by teleradiologists enrolled with a teleradiology specialty will be reimbursed by the following methodology:

1. For teaching hospitals [medical schools]
 - a. Reimbursement for all teleradiology that is provided by fully boarded radiologists and radiological subspecialists who have been credentialed as faculty by the teaching hospital(s) will be at current reimbursement rates regardless of the teaching hospital being in-state or out-of-state. Please refer to the most current billing instructions on how to bill. Out-of-country teaching hospitals will not be reimbursed.
2. For non-teaching hospitals or free standing radiology providers:
 - a. Reimburse at current teleradiological procedure or reading rates that are interpreted onsite or by board certified radiologists reading digital images from within the state of Kentucky. Please refer to the most current billing instructions on how to bill.
 - b. For out of state board certified radiologists reading digital images from outside the state of Kentucky, reimburse at 75% of current rates. Please refer to the most current billing instructions on how to bill.
3. Teleradiological services, including interpretations, provided by radiologists who are outside the boundaries of the United States are not recognized and will not be reimbursed.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Division of Provider Operations at 502-564-2687.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth A. Johnson
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